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# DEATH OF HON. WILLIAM WALKER FOULKROD

PROCEEDINGS IN THE HOUSE

DECEMBER 5, 1910.

Mr. BINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following resolutions.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Pennsylvania offers the following resolutions, which the Clerk will report.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Hon. WILLIAM WALKER FOULKROD, late a Member of the House from the State of Pennsylvania.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and send a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

The resolutions were agreed to.

Mr. RANSDELL of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following resolution.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Louisiana offers a resolution, which the Clerk will report.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senators and Representatives the House do now adjourn.

The resolution was agreed to. Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 49 minutes p. m.), the House adjourned until 12 o'clock noon to-morrow.

DECEMBER 21, 1910.

Mr. MOORE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following order.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Ordered*, That Sunday, the 22d day of January, at 12 o'clock, be set apart for addresses on the life, character, and public services of the Hon. WILLIAM W. FOULKROD, late a Representative from the State of Pennsylvania.

The question was taken, and the order was agreed to.

JANUARY 22, 1911.

The House met at 12 o'clock meridian, and was called to order by Mr. Bingham, as Speaker pro tempore.

The following prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D.:

Our Father in heaven, moved by a natural desire, a common impulse, we are gathered here to-day to pay a last tribute of love and respect to two Members of this House who proved themselves worthy of the confidence reposed in them by their fellow countrymen. Both typical American citizens, who, by dint of their own efforts, carved out for themselves careers which made them conspicuous for honest endeavor, clean living, and integrity of purpose. Recognized as such, they were chosen leaders for the promotion of good citizenship, commercial interests, and the public welfare.

We thank Thee for their lives, for what they did, and we pray that their memories may live to inspire those who come after them to lives of purity and usefulness.

We know not what the future hath
Of marvel or surprise;
Assured alone that life and death
His mercy underlies.

Comfort their dear ones by an ever-abiding faith in the eternal goodness of God our Father; and help us to realize that the greatest tribute they or we can pay to their memory is to copy their virtues and leave behind us, if possible, the world a little better than we found it. In the spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

Mr. MOORE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following resolutions.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved,* That the business of the House be now suspended that opportunity may be given for tributes to the memory of Hon. WILLIAM W. FOULKROD, late a Member of this House from the State of Pennsylvania.

*Resolved,* That as a particular mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, and in recognition of his distinguished public career, the House at the conclusion of the exercises of to-day shall stand adjourned.

*Resolved,* That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate.

*Resolved,* That the Clerk send a copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the adoption of the resolutions.

The question was taken, and the resolutions were unanimously agreed to.

# MEMORIAL ADDRESSES

## Address of Mr. Moore, of Pennsylvania

Mr. Speaker: Under the order which convenes the House in extra session to-day it becomes our duty to pay tribute to the memory of our lamented colleagues, the Hon. William W. Foulkrod and the Hon. Joel Cook, both of Pennsylvania. These distinguished Members, representing adjoining districts in a city and State of which they were typical sons, entered the House together at the opening of the Sixtieth Congress, and by one of those strange fatalities of circumstance so often witnessed in affairs mundane, departed from it, one so closely following the other that sympathy and coincidence seemed to have governed the fate of both.

Mr. Foulkrod was the first called. After an illness which incapacitated him throughout the entire campaign of September and October, 1910, he died at his home in Frankford, Philadelphia, while the returns of the November election were being counted. Mr. Cook, though weak from the effects of a previous illness, had attempted to resume his duties at Washington, but was stricken at his hotel a month later and died at his home in Philadelphia.

Mr. Foulkrod represented the fifth Pennsylvania district; Mr. Cook the second district. Both districts adjoin the third, which it is my privilege to represent; so that all of us were necessarily associated in congressional work, as we had long cooperated in public and private affairs before any of us entered these national halls. I

had known Mr. Cook longer than I had known Mr. Foulkrod, and at the proper time I shall ask the privilege of submitting some expressions with regard to him; for the present it is my purpose to dwell particularly upon the life, the character, and the public services of Mr. Foulkrod.

If I were asked to characterize in three words the sum of all the qualities of my lamented colleague, I would denominate him "public-spirited citizen." Mr. Foulkrod was descended from one of the old Philadelphia families, resident for many generations in the district known as Frankford. His early training was along commercial lines. He entered business life in a small way, engaging subsequently as a partner in a mercantile enterprise, eventually taking rank as a merchant in the leading wholesale dry-goods house of Philadelphia. He was for some time a partner of John Wanamaker, now generally recognized as the greatest American merchant. His business interests took him abroad and enabled him to become expert in questions affecting textile manufactures.

It was this special knowledge that made him an invaluable Member of this House during the discussion leading up to the enactment of the Payne tariff law. Representing a constituency whose interests were much the same as those represented by Mr. Foulkrod, and being his almost constant companion during his whole congressional career, I was enabled to judge of his great usefulness in this regard, and believe I am not wrong in making the statement that, with respect to some of the important schedules which gave great concern to the Ways and Means Committee of the House and the corresponding committee of the Senate, there was no man better equipped to advise or who labored more intelligently for the protection of American interests than Mr. Foulkrod. Indeed, his earnest and devoted efforts in this behalf

during the extra session called to frame a tariff measure were so exacting and confining as to cause the first physical breakdown which led ultimately to his death. And though none of us may accurately account for the anomalous conditions that sometimes control our political destinies, it is still to be wondered at that, though elected to the Sixtieth Congress by a majority approximating 25,000 votes, local uprisings in his district, involving political complications for which he was in no way responsible, should have led to his defeat in the last November election, in spite of his signal services for those whom he believed to be his true supporters.

He had been a faithful Representative. He had labored early and late for his people, and it was to be expected that he would secure an expression of confidence from them. The election came, Mr. Speaker, and with it the astounding news that the vast Republican majority in his district, perhaps the most intensely interested in a protective tariff, had been overturned. The blow was as staggering as it was unexpected. Fortunately the shock was not permitted to hasten its deadly work; instead, the hopeful word was given; the music of the bands and the shouts in the streets were carried to the bedside with words of cheer. The startling headlines were kept from the knowledge of our dying colleague, and he passed away believing his friends had rallied once again to the standard he had so loyally sustained.

In many ways Mr. FOULKROD had proven his love for his native city; he believed in its advancement and labored long and unselfishly to uphold its reputation as a city of homes and of industry. He believed it should have greater transportation facilities and to this end labored for the improvement of the Delaware River. Through the Trades League, of which he was organizer, thousands of business men were brought together to sus-

tain the views he entertained. Railroads were made to understand the needs of the manufacturers and the merchants; commercial bodies were spurred to renewed vigor in promoting the public service under his direction.

A great commercial museum was established and Mr. FOULKROD was one of its trustees. During the last quarter of a century there were few movements of any public moment in which he did not participate. He was one of the active members in the Citizens' Permanent Relief Fund which raised and forwarded money and shiploads of provisions to the stricken peasants of Ireland and Russia, to the hurricane sufferers of Porto Rico, the flood victims of Johnstown, the earthquake sufferers at Charleston, and the suddenly distressed elsewhere. He had been the chairman of a committee to distribute hundreds of thousands of dollars for the relief of the millworkers of the Kensington and Frankford districts who were thrown out of employment during the tariff troubles of 1903–4. Indeed, he was a friend of the people.

His death, Mr. Speaker, was a sorrow to thousands who knew him well. It took from a loving wife and children one who had been their almost constant companion, and whose every thought was for their welfare and happiness. His home life was most commendable. He possessed the domestic virtues which stand for the integrity of the American fireside.

In order, Mr. Speaker, that a clearer insight into the home life of our colleague may be preserved to the House, I now ask unanimous consent to incorporate in the Record, as a part of my remarks and as the conclusion thereof, the funeral address of the pastor of our departed colleague, the Rev. John B. Laird.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

Mr. MOORE of Pennsylvania. Dr. Laird said:

In our sorrow to-day we must not forget to be grateful to God for His goodness in giving to this home and community, this city and Nation, a man of such rare qualities of mind and heart as were possessed by the one whose departure we now mourn. Heaven's best gift to any home and community and nation is a good man. One who is affectionately and tenderly devoted to his home and kindred, who is generously and intelligently interested in his neighborhood, his own community. Who gives himself self-sacrificingly to the movements and enterprises which make for the good of his city and country. And after years of intimate personal acquaintance with him and a knowledge of the purposes which animated his life and directed his doing, I am ready to say that in our departed friend we had such a man.

He was preceded by a long and honored line of ancestry. In his earliest years he began his notable career in the very neighborhood where for more than a hundred years they had lived good lives and rendered conspicuous public service. As a youth he began life's career, and from that day until the day of his death his was a life of strenuous public and private activity. He ever brought to life's tasks the whole vigor of his mind and body. For half a century he literally did with his might the things to which his hands were appointed. Consequently, in the earliest years of his career, with no aid excepting that of his own personal worth, places of power were his to fill and interests of responsibility were laid on his heart and shoulders.

And no man ever discharged his duties more industriously and faithfully or accepted his responsibilities more cheerfully and conscientiously than did he. He was diligent in business, but not so narrowly and selfishly diligent as to be deaf to the city and Nation's call for the service of men of wisdom and experience. He dearly loved our city of Philadelphia, and this is a fair city to dwell in only because he and men like him have been willing at personal sacrifice to render public service with no hope of present reward. It is not for us at this time to try to enumerate the many good and great community and civic movements which felt the impact of his clear mind and vigorous hand, but to sum it up by saying that for more than 30 years he rendered splendid service to the city and Nation—a service which took his time and taxed his strength to the degree that many who knew him best

and loved him most thought was too great; a kind of service which involved physical toil and mental anxiety of which the great public knew but little and which by many who profited most from it was but slightly appreciated. To a very large degree his was an unremunerative service. Against the record of public activity which closed with his death no man dare lay the charge of mercenary motive. And that it was not for popular applause that he wrought is evidenced from the fact that when this was withheld, many times when he and his friends knew that it should have been generously bestowed, it troubled him not. It seemed to only make him all the more ready to undertake the next task which presented itself. He gloried in what he believed was true—that he was a citizen of no mean city. But if his love for his city was great, and his enthusiasm for her development and prosperity at times seemed to sway him to what many believed was the danger point so far as his interests were concerned, his love for his neighborhood was even greater.

His great interest in city and national affairs in no sense of the word lessened his zeal for his own community. Philadelphia was dear to him, but his own Frankford district was dearer. And any man at all familiar with Frankford and what has made for her great development in the past 30 years will agree with me in saying that among all our splendid citizens there is no man to whom we owe so much as we do to him. His abounding optimism, his untiring persistency, his unfaltering faith, frequently brought victory out of apparent defeat and opened the way for a larger and better city.

And it was not only to these general movements that he gave himself so unsparingly, but to the helping of individuals in times of misfortune and distress. In recent days I have frequently been met on the street by persons who said, "Yes, he befriended me; most graciously did he receive me when I went to his office at the Market Street store, and as though it were a personal matter with him, he took up my cause and helped me out of the difficulty." Men of business standing in this community to-day will say that he was their start as boys. And there are many homes who testify that in times of trouble they turned to him and were not disappointed. Yes, we claim him as a man of local pride and neighborhood fondness, and we hesitate not to say here that anyone will likely be a better servant of the city and Nation who retains his love for and interest in his own community. To keep

constantly in touch with the place of one's birth and the friends of one's earliest years will help keep men good and add to their efficiency in whatever sphere they may serve.

And if I were to continue, I should say that the place that was dearest of all to him and where he was at his best was within the walls of his own home. The genial grasp of his hand and the winsome smile of his face which greeted everyone who entered that door will not be forgotten as long as the present generation lives. And of his fondness for his own kin, it is too sacred for us to speak, excepting to say that in his very last days he bore sweet testimony to his happy and loving relationships. He fought a hard, strenuous fight. He finished a long and trying course; and, best of all, he kept to the end the loves and affections and ideals of his earlier life. Thus he wrought among us and for us. And his life's story is worthy the perusal of any young man. The world scantily appreciated his services, I fear. The city, to him as to many of her public servants, owes an immense debt, such as she can never pay. His own community has seemed to some of us almost ungrateful, but this detracts nothing from the good of his services or the glory of his career. Every good cause to which he gave himself so generously, every unselfish service in which he engaged, is and will continue to bless the community and the city, however slightly the people may appreciate his efforts. And forbid that failure on the part of a fickle community to recognize this man's good services should deter anyone of generous impulses and humane interests from giving himself to a like career. He was a distinguished citizen. He was a good neighbor. He was a generous-souled friend. He was a tender, loving father. He was a clean, good man. We thank God for him and mourn his departure.

## Address of Mr. Small, of North Carolina

Mr. Speaker: I count it a sad privilege to pay a brief but sincere tribute to the memory of William Walker Foulkrod, late a Representative from the State of Pennsylvania. Prior to my first election to this House, in 1898, I had occasion to visit the city of Philadelphia in my capacity as a lawyer, representing a citizen of my State. The professional business in hand concerned a large mercantile house in that city under the name of Hood, Foulkrod & Co., of which this distinguished gentleman was an active member at the time. In the discharge of my professional duties I first made the acquaintance of this gentleman. I was impressed with his business acumen, the complete and accurate knowledge which he possessed of the business of his firm, and with his interesting personality. There was a broad, generous, and charitable spirit, which was ever evinced in his dealings with men.

Being an entire stranger and my first extended visit to that great city, I shall never forget the courtesies which he so charmingly extended. It was during that visit, also, that I learned something of the active civic spirit of this man. This information was subsequently enlarged, so that I am able to repeat the encomium which was expressed by his colleague, the distinguished gentleman who has just spoken, that perhaps the distinguishing feature of his career was as a public-spirited citizen. In all the activities, individual and civic, which would promote the betterment of humanity, would uplift the people of his beloved city and of his State, he was constantly alert

and effective in good work; and when the great City of Brotherly Love and the great Keystone State shall come to count their jewels and name the men who have contributed most largely to their material upbuilding and the promotion of all the moral movements which make for betterment and progress, they will include in the galaxy of her distinguished sons WILLIAM WALKER FOULKROD.

It was a distinct pleasure, Mr. Speaker, when that former association was subsequently renewed at the time this gentleman became a Member of this House, and it is a pleasant recollection that at our first meeting here he recalled the acquaintance which had been formed some years before and with kind words spoke of our former meeting.

Those who were thrown closely with him in this House knew something of the equipment which he possessed, and of the good work which he did in his public capacity as a legislator. He was among the most active in that wonderful propaganda which has been in progress during the past decade for the improvement of our waterways and the enlargement of our transportation facilities. His zeal was not confined to the improvement of that great commercial arm of the sea, the Delaware River, of which he was one of the most zealous advocates, but his activities extended far beyond the limits of his State, and wherever there was an improvement which made for the extension of our water-borne commerce, and for the relief of transportation from the obstacles which curtail it, Mr. FOULKROD was acquainted with its necessities, with the results which would flow from the improvement, and was an earnest advocate of legislation to that end.

The gentleman who has preceded me [Mr. Moore, of Pennsylvania] has referred to Mr. FOULKROD's knowledge of the textile industry. Indeed, his knowledge extended into all the ramifications of commercial life, and during

his brief career here I doubt if there is an instance of a Member who, in the line of activity with which he was most familiar, contributed more in a modest and yet effective way than did Mr. FOULKROD. Yet, much as he accomplished, his legislative career was but an example of the proposition that length of service in this House is necessary to the attainment of the best results.

Length of service gives important committee assignments; it gives familiarity with the complexity of the administrative departments and with the machinery of legislation. It furnishes one with that peculiar knowledge which is so necessary, no matter how well equipped and how well informed a Member may be in general knowledge, in order that he may attain the highest success in the career of a legislator.

If Mr. FOULKROD'S life had been spared, so that he could have longer served his city, his State, and his country, he would have exemplified in his public life the same good works, the same broad sympathies in legislation which distinguished him in his individual capacity as a citizen in the private walks of life. Coming from a State far removed from his, I believe I can appreciate, perhaps even better than those whose lives were so near him, the humanitarian spirit, the large equipment, the unflagging industry, and the intense patriotism, which was as broad as his country, of this distinguished gentleman, to whose memory we are to-day paying a tribute. And in the words of the good Chaplain, in his invocation to-day, may I also express the sentiment that we who are left behind in the active walks of life and in service in this body may best pay tribute to his memory by copying his virtues and, like him, endeavoring to leave the world a little better than we found it.

## Address of Mr. Fordney, of Michigan

Mr. Speaker: It is with a profound sense of sorrow that I rise to-day to speak a few words in commemoration of a friend, whole-souled and sincere, who has been taken forever from our midst, the late Congressman William W. Foulkrod.

Much has been said by those who have learned to love him by lifelong acquaintance and friendship. My acquaintance with him dates back but to the time when he took his seat among us at the opening of the Sixtieth Congress, but during those few short years his sincerity has won my greatest respect; his loyalty has won my every confidence; his genial and whole-souled nature has won my lasting love.

Others can more fittingly speak of the sterling qualities of his early life. I will only attempt in a few brief words to express my feeling of deep devotion to him, the result of but a few years' acquaintance.

His ability and sense of duty, his earnestness of purpose and unfaltering fidelity, has marked his life with success. He was rich in that which is most to be sought on this earth, and without which life is desolate—the respect and love of his fellow men.

While firm in his convictions and true to every trust, never have I found a trace of unreasonable aggressiveness or harshness in Mr. Foulkrod's nature. I did not know him as an orator, but as a practical, substantial business man, with a world of good, sound reason.

His usefulness to his State and those who chose him as their Representative in Congress has been his quiet, faith-

ful service and strong sense of duty. What others might fail to accomplish by aggressive and heated debate he would win by his plain, quiet reasoning, his candor, his honesty of purpose, and his ever cheerful but unassuming nature. There was much to be admired and loved in the man and little or nothing to call forth dislike or enmity.

It is hard for me to realize that this dear friend has been summoned from us; that we are to be deprived forever on this earth of his wholesome presence, his kind words, and his cheerful face. Words fail to express the deep feeling of regret and sorrow the thought of his absence brings to me.

He leaves behind him a wealth of friends and a true example of kindness, sincerity, and devotion. His life spread cheer and happiness about him; his death makes a void that can not be filled.

The real qualities of a man can best be measured by considering the effect his death would have. Our dear colleague will long be mourned by all who knew him. We now can best realize his value to mankind, what his presence here has meant to us. He possessed those qualities of man that are lasting—sincerity, kindness, constancy, and devotion.

O not in cruelty, not in wrath,
The reaper came that day.
'Twas an angel visited the green earth,
And took the flowers away.

## Address of Mr. Young, of New York

Mr. Speaker: Having been in this House but one term, I have been much impressed with the number of valuable Members who in that brief period have passed away. Eight or ten Members of importance, men who have rendered valuable service in Congress and who have contributed to the progress of the Nation and the advancement of their communities, have ceased from their labors. I come here to-day to contribute in a small measure my testimonial to the life and good work of Mr. Foulkrod, and do so because of a sincere affection for that gentleman. My early life having been passed in Philadelphia, I naturally take an interest in the Representatives from that city and in everything pertaining to the community and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

When a young man Mr. Foulkrod's name was brought to my attention by his activity in commercial life, and upon coming into this House I was much pleased to meet him and become well acquainted with him and learn his value. I found him to be a genial gentleman, always attentive to his duties, with a comprehensive knowledge of the affairs of his constituency, which made him invaluable in the discussion of the tariff bill which was before the House when I became a Member of it. There were few, if any, Members of this House who knew the subjects in which Mr. Foulkrod was interested better than himself. He was broad minded, liberal in his views, comprehensive in his knowledge, and earnest and sincere in all things looking to the advancement of the interests of his constituents. It is a great thing to find a man trained in

business, skilled in commercial affairs, interested in finance, and having a thorough knowledge of the needs of his city, who is willing to lay aside the work in which he was trained and successful, to come into this body as a representative of his people. It is also a great satisfaction to find that his neighbors, his friends, and the people of Philadelphia recognized in Mr. Foulkrod those qualities which made him desirable as their Representative and as shown by the enormous majority by which he was originally elected to Congress.

During my acquaintance with Mr. Foulkrod I learned to esteem him very highly, and found him to be affable, frank, and manly, sincerely devoted to the work and to those things which make for the well-being of the country. He did not confine his thought and his work to the 250,000 people of the Frankford district he so ably represented, and which I know very well, perhaps as well as any Member of this House who is not a resident of that section of the city of Philadelphia. It is sad to reflect that in the midst of his activity, when his usefulness was perhaps at the highest point, he should be suddenly taken away. His departure has created a vacancy in this House which can not readily be filled. The Representative who has succeeded him undoubtedly will do his work well, but on this quiet Sabbath afternoon we think only of the man who has been associated with us on this floor, whom we have met socially, and recognized not only in his official capacity but as a sincere, lovable, noble man. I feel it is my duty as well as my privilege to be able to add my word in esteem of Mr. Foulkrod.

Mr. Cook I did not know so well. Of course we all knew him by reputation in Philadelphia for many years, but Mr. Foulkrod I knew because of my commercial relations with his city, and I observed his progress with great interest. When he became a member of one of the

greatest firms in his line of business in Philadelphia I was very pleased. His election to Congress I considered a well-deserved honor and thought of him as a man destined to many years of usefulness. His mind expanded constantly until he reached a point where an all-wise Providence saw fit to remove him from his activities. The Omnipotent determined that his mission was accomplished, and he was taken from his family, who are now mourning him. There is a vacant chair and an empty place at home, and the hearts of his dear ones are sore over the taking away of one who has been all in all to them.

## Address of Mr. Focht, of Pennsylvania

Mr. Speaker: The death of William Walker Foulkrod touches me almost like a personal bereavement. True, we did not know each other until four short years ago, when, on the 4th day of March, 1907, he and I entered this Hall as newly elected Representatives in Congress. He stood for a commercial constituency of a section of the great city of Philadelphia, in the activities of which he had for years taken a leading part, while I was sent here by a people whose occupations and habits differ widely from those whom he represented. Ever since the early pioneers cut their way through the forests and made their homes among the hills and valleys of the Keystone State there has been continuous and close commercial intercourse between these sections of the Commonwealth. Of the prominent business men in the eight counties composing the district I represent, many sustained intimate business relations with Mr. Foulkrod, whose sterling integrity no less than his profound business acumen inspired them with unwavering confidence. More than once the deceased discussed with me and exalted the splendid moral qualities of the sturdy Germans and Scotch-Irish of central Pennsylvania, whose unyielding honesty compelled his respect and admiration. This mutual regard of merchant and customer was one of the chief assets in the success which crowned all of his business enterprises.

My contact with him was the contact of pupil with teacher, for by reason of his wider and more extended

experience he possessed that exact judgment and profound wisdom that can come only as the rich heritage and bestowal of mature years.

The same attention to his private affairs which had won him so prominent a place in the great business community of the chief city of our State marked his career as a Member of the House of Representatives. His service of nearly four years in this body makes a record of which any legislator would have good reason to be proud. He was wise in counsel and ever watchful of the interests of his constituents, and exercised conscientious care in his attitude toward legislation that affected the welfare of the people of all the States, possessing what might be called an invaluable specialized knowledge of an important branch of American commerce. With his associates he maintained a dignified intercourse, the pleasure of which to all who participated in it was heightened by his unfailing urbanity, keen appreciation of the relative importance of measures under consideration, and a quiet humor in the expression of views always dictated by sound and matured judgment and the practical business experience of more than two score years.

In the complex relations of life Mr. FOULKROD always bore an enviable part. In the wide range of his business connections he ever held to the straight line of absolutely fair dealing. As a citizen he stood for what is best in the public life of city and State. In the family his example as husband and father made for what is best in the home circle. As a friend he was true to the core and steadfast as a rock. His actions were always regulated by the precept of the Golden Rule. Just in all his dealings, he was charitable in his judgment of men no less than in his dealings with them. The passing away of such a man is almost as great a loss to his State and country as to those to whom he was the light of life.

Our departed friend did not megaphone his honesty of purpose or action to an expectant world. He did not call upon men either in his private or public life to give due regard to his every act. He let each deed speak for itself, and, conscious of the rectitude of his intentions, he bore both praise and blame with becoming humility.

Man of probity, man of action, man of kindness and worth—the world is better for his having lived in it. He labored almost until the very last; labored until the body became too weak to sustain the impelling force of effort; labored until at last he had to fold his hands in rest and peace. Many will mourn; yet—

> Death wounds to cure; we fall; we rise; we reign!
> Spring from our fetters; fasten in the skies,
> Where blooming Eden withers in our sight.
> Death gives us more than was in Eden lost.
> This King of Terrors is the Prince of Peace!

## Address of Mr. Wanger, of Pennsylvania

Mr. Speaker: Assembled to pay tribute to William Walker Foulkrod and Joel Cook, two Members of this body, each of whom typified in ample degree the highest type of character, we keenly realize the great loss sustained by the Nation through their death, no less than by the districts which honored themselves in honoring them with membership here.

In the exemplification of integrity, and in earnest devotion to what each believed to be for the welfare of his constituency and his country, and in fondness for rural life, notwithstanding long experience, the first as merchant and the second as journalist and scholar in one of the great cities of the country, and in devotion to friends and family, they were strikingly similar. Each spent his vacation period in a country home within the district which has honored me with representation here, and delighted in the cultivation of the soil and the companionship of family and friends amid the beauties of nature.

But their life work in youth and the prime of manhood was in different fields of usefulness. Foulkrod was a merchant, and the business concerns that he ably served, first as employee and later as principal, were always recognized by the highest qualities of fair dealing, and the names of these business houses were and remain the synonym of honorable merchandising. It is needless to state that his character as a manufacturer was of the same fine quality.

Cook was educated for the bar, but adopted journalism, and in that profession gave to his countrymen the benefit of profound learning and the fair expression of his honest convictions. He believed that men and events should be treated with justice and truth, and his course may well be studied by the profession as typical of what must eventually be its dominating impulses if the profession is to retain the confidence of the public and exercise the influence making the power of the press a leading factor of usefulness.

With their experience and lofty purposes they were of the highest usefulness to their constituents and the country in legislation making for the common welfare. Neither was inclined to waste the public time with declamation; both were untiring in the work essential to the perfection of legislation. It may reasonably be that the great labor which each gave to the illumination of the subject dealt with in the first session of this Congress was the strain upon vital forces which ultimately caused their death.

Each was richly blessed in the family relation, and left a fond wife and devoted children to mourn with a wide circle of friends his call from time to eternity.

It was a great privilege to know and to be associated with them, and their advice and example were invaluable. Their sterling qualities will long make them remembered and revered, and among Americans who well served their day and generation they will justly occupy a prominent rank.

## Address of Mr. Greene, of Massachusetts

Mr. Speaker: In the death of the late Hon. William W. Foulkrod that grim reaper has claimed for the first time during my membership of the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries, for 12½ years, one of my associates upon the committee. Mr. Foulkrod was assigned to that committee by appointment of Speaker Cannon when he was elected to membership in the Sixtieth Congress. At the same time and by the same authority I was assigned to the position of chairman of the committee. Mr. Foulkrod was a prompt attendant at all meetings of the committee, and displayed an active and earnest interest in all the varied and important matters which were brought before the committee for consideration.

During many of the tedious and exacting hearings of the committee he contributed, by advice, argument, and searching questions to witnesses, in a very substantial way toward obtaining the information necessary to the proper formulation of various laws affecting the maritime interests of the country. His extensive business experience, both as a successful merchant and manufacturer, especially qualified him for the duties which devolved upon him as a Member of the House of Representatives.

He would not have been classed as a politician for the reason that the many years of his life had been absorbed by the activities which a business career demanded. However, he had devoted considerable time to the promotion of commercial organizations in the city of Philadelphia, which he represented in the Halls of Congress.

I am somewhat familiar with many of these organizations to which he belonged, and from my knowledge of his work on the committees of which he was a member in the House I am convinced that he was in the highest degree a public servant. In assisting to carry out the many various projects of a public character with which he was connected in his home city, I realize that much of his time and strength during his later years must have been generously contributed.

He was familiar with the conditions which were detrimental to the upbuilding of the American merchant marine, and he was extremely anxious that provision might be made for the reestablishment of the carrying trade between the United States and other nations.

It is indeed a pleasure to recall associations with a man of the type of our late colleague. Little did I think, when the second session of the Sixty-first Congress adjourned, that I should not again see his cheerful countenance, or that I should be bereft of his counsel and advice. His work was finished, and those who knew him best will contemplate that work with satisfaction and will cherish his memory.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In accordance with the resolutions already adopted, and as an additional mark of respect to our deceased colleagues, the House will now stand adjourned.

The House adjourned at 1 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m. until Monday, January 23, 1911, at 12 o'clock noon.

DECEMBER 6, 1910.

Mr. PENROSE. Mr. President, I ask that the resolutions of the House announcing the death of the late Representative FOULKROD be laid before the Senate.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Chair lays before the Senate resolutions of the House of Representatives, which will be read.

The Secretary read the resolutions, as follows:

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
*December 5, 1910.*

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Hon. WILLIAM WALKER FOULKROD, late a Member of the House from the State of Pennsylvania.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and send a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Mr. PENROSE. I offer the following resolutions and ask for their adoption.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The resolutions submitted by the Senator from Pennsylvania will be read.

The resolutions were read and unanimously agreed to, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Senate has heard with deep sensibility the announcement of the death of Hon. WILLIAM WALKER FOULKROD, late a Representative from the State of Pennsylvania.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary communicate a copy of these resolutions to the House of Representatives.

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